

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PLANNING DEPARTMENT – Constitution of Mandal/District level Committees for reconciliation of the area statistics pertaining to the irrigated and un-irrigated crops at grass root level which will be adopted by the concerned Departments uniformly – Orders – Issued.

PLANNING (IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 829

Dated:21-08-2013

Read the following:

- 1.G.O.Ms.No.96 I&CAD(General.IV) Dept. Dated 08.06.2007.
- 2.G.O.Rt.No.1214 Plg.(IV) Dept. Dated 06-11-2012.
- 3.G.O.Rt.No.51 Plg.(IV) Dept. Dated 10-01-2013.

ORDER:

Reliable and timely Statistics are the basis for any policy formulation. A constant estimate of the agricultural area pertaining to different crops for both the irrigated and un-irrigated are essential for estimation of production and for computing the gross value of output from the agriculture. The Directorate of Economics and Statistics collects season-wise, crop-wise and source-wise area statistics. The Revenue, Irrigation&Command Area Development, Agriculture and Horticulture Departments also collect season-wise irrigated area statistics. The figures collected by the Revenue Department are consolidated at the Mandal/District/State level by the Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Hyderabad. Lot of variations are being noticed between the figures furnished by the Revenue and Irrigation Departments.

2. There is a felt need for evolving a scientific system of data collection by the different data collecting agencies on the area statistics particularly on the irrigated area statistics using a clear and consistent methodology at the grass-root level to get a single uniform reconciled area statistics and source-wise irrigated areas for the crops sown.

3. Government have issued the orders for constitution of a Committee of Secretaries in the G.O. 2nd read above to evolve a uniform procedure of collection of data of irrigated and un-irrigated areas to facilitate reconciliation among the concerned departments. The first meeting of the Committee was convened under chairmanship of the Special Chief Secretary to Government, Irrigation&Command Area Development, on 07-12-2012. The Committee has proposed for constitution of a Group of officials consisting the Engineer-in-Chief, I&CAD, the Dy.Secretary, Revenue Dept., the Senior Scientist, APSRAC, as its Members and the Director, DE&S as Member Convenor to discuss the proposed methodology.

4. Based on the recommendations of the Committee of Secretaries, the Government have issued orders duly constituting a Committee with a Group of officials in the G.O. 3rd read above to study and finalize the proposed methodology.

5. The Committee of the Group of officials have met three times on 29-01-2013, 16-02-2013 and 19-03-2013, and discussed various points on the proposed methodology and recommended for constitution of Mandal/District level Committees for reconciliation for area statistics at grass-root level by involving all the concerned Departments to get uniform area statistics pertaining to the irrigated and un-irrigated crops.

6. Government after careful consideration of the issue, hereby constitute Mandal/District level Committees for reconciliation of the area statistics at grass-root level to evolve a uniform scientific system to secure a dependable, single figure reconciled data and evolve a uniform procedure for collection of area statistics and crop, source-wise irrigated areas for every season from the village level. The details of the Committees at Mandal/District level constituted for reconciliation of the area statistics shall be as follows.

i)Mandal Reconciliation Committee:

Tahsildar	- Chairman
Asst.Engineer, Irrigation	- Member
Mandal Agriculture Officer	- Member
Mandal Horticulture Officer	- Member
Inspector of Fisheries	- Member
Representative from Ground Water Department	- Member
Chariman Distributory committee	- Member
Asst.Statistical Officer	- Member Convener

ii)District Reconciliation Committee:

District Collector	- Chairman
Superintending Engineer, Irrigation	- Member
Joint Director of Agriculture	- Member
Dy.Director, Horticulture	- Member
Asst.Director of Fisheries	- Member
Executive Engineer, APSIDC	- Member
Dy.Director of Ground Water Department	- Member
Asst.Director, Sericulture	- Member
Asst.Cane Commissioner	- Member
Chariman, Project Committee	- Member
Chief Planning Officer	- Member Convenor

Functions of the Committee:

- a) A joint team of VRO, President WUA, AEO, Officer from the Irrigation Department lead by VRO to visit the village fields every month, collect and record the statistics crops-wise, source-wise as specified in the G.O.3rd read above.
- b) The area statistics collected month-wise through joint Azmoish shall aggregated at mandal level by the Mandal Level Committee and furnished the same to the District Level Committee.

- c) The reconciled area statistics collected month-wise by the Mandal Reconciliation Committee shall be aggregated at District level by the District Level Committee and furnished the same to the Director, Directorate of Economics & Statistics.
- d) The Committee should strictly adhere to the following time schedule given by the Government of India for preparation of the season-wise Agriculture Census Abstracts:

Name of the operation	Due date	
	Kharif	Rabi
1. Enumeration	5 th Oct. to 20 th Oct.	5 th April to 20 th April
2. Preparation/checking of Village Agriculture Census Abstract (Gramagoshwara)	20 th Oct. to 25 th Oct.	20 th April to 25 th April
3. Preparation of Mandal Agriculture Census Abstract	25 th Oct. to 5 th Nov.	25 th April to 5 th May
4. Mandal Agriculture Census Abstract to Divisions	5 th November	5 th May
5. Submission of scrutinized Mandal Agriculture Census Abstract and compiling Dy. Agriculture Abstract Divisional level	10 th November	10 th May
6. Scrutinized District Abstract mandal-wise and division-wise and submission to DE&S, Hyderabad	30 th November	31 st May

- e) Before finalization of the Agriculture Census Abstract of Kharif and Rabi seasons i.e. during the months of November and May respectively, the Committees have to check one or two villages/ Mandals in the Mandal/District basing on the Agro climatic zones before finalizing the Agriculture Census Abstract at Mandal/District respectively.
- f) Counter checking of the field level data with those depicted by the remote sensing GIS maps by APSRAC and identify the causes leading to data discrepancy.
- g) After reconciliation of the area figures at the Mandal/District/ State level, all the concerned Departments shall use these figures for all the official purposes.

7. The reconciliation has to be done in accordance with the G.O. 1st read above and as per the guidelines of the Agricultural Census being conducted by the Revenue Department and compiled by the Directorate of Economics & Statistics.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To

The Spl.Chief Secretary to Govt., I&CAD Department.

The Prl.Secretary to Govt., I&CAD Department.

The Prl.Secretary to Govt., Agriculture & Co-operation Dept.

The Prl.Secretary to Govt., Agriculture & Production Commissioner, AP,
Hyderabad.

The Prl.Secretary to Govt., Revenue Department.

The Director, Directorate Economics & Statistics, AP Hyderabad for taking
necessary action.

The Engineer-in-Chief(AW), Jalasoudha, Erramanzil, Hyderabad.

The Director-General, APSRAC, AP, Hyderabad.

The Commissioner of Agriculture, AP, Hyderabad.

The Chief Commissioner, Land Administration, AP, Hyderabad.

All the District Collectors.

All the Chief Planning Officers.

The Commissioner(CAD), Hyderabad.

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